

SINCLAIR TANK WAGON 1917

This horse drawn tank wagon was used by Sinclair Oil beginning in 1917. The tank held an amazing 300 gallons of fuel or gasoline that was delivered to farmers and homesteads for numerous uses. In comparison, today's transport trucks hold 7,000 to 12,000 gallons of fuel or gasoline.

To learn more about this horse drawn tanker and others that followed,

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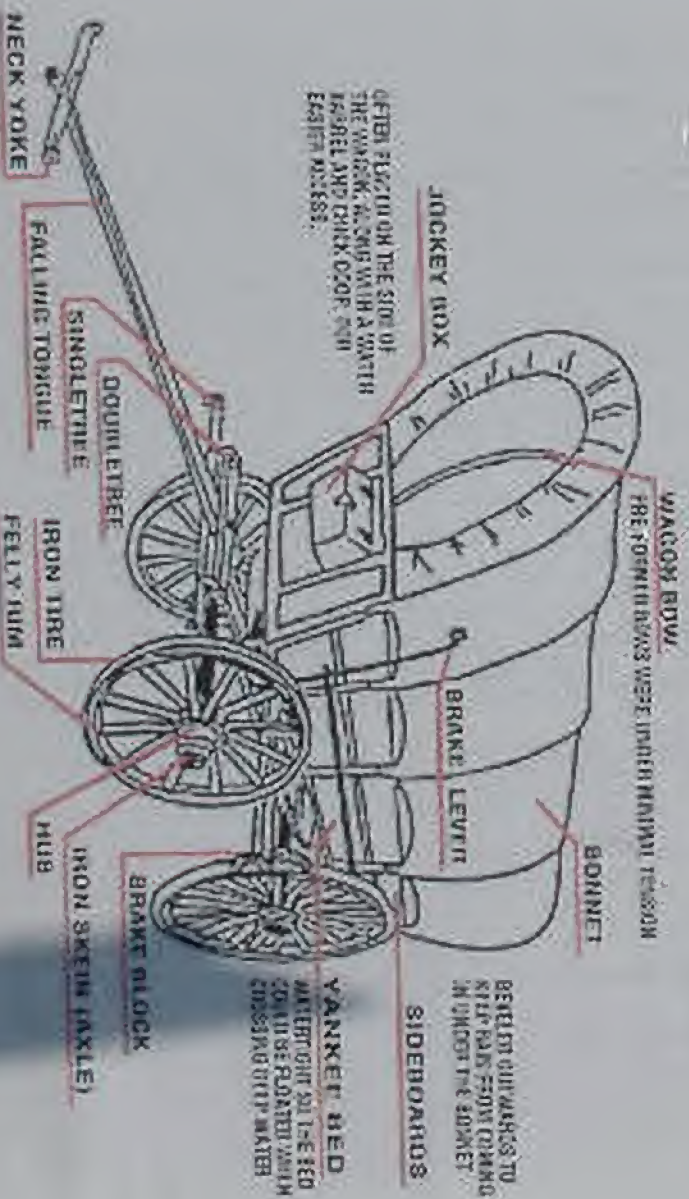
Historical Marker
The covered wagon was a common mode of transportation for pioneers traveling westward. It was used to carry goods, livestock, and families. The wagon was built of wood and covered with a heavy tarp or canvas. It was pulled by a team of oxen or horses. The wagon was a symbol of the American West and the pioneer spirit.





Prairie Schooners

The most common wagons used for hauling freight were the Conestogas, which were designed for their durability and size, and were very popular along the Santa Fe Trail. However, overlanders on the Oregon Trail quickly learned that Conestoga wagons were too big for their needs. The huge, heavy wagons killed even the sturdiest oxen before the journey was two-thirds complete. Their answer to the problem was dubbed the "Prairie Schooner," a half-sized version of the Conestoga that typically measured 4' wide and 10-12' in length. With its tongue and neck yoke attached, its length doubled to about 23". With the bonnet, a Prairie Schooner stood about 10' tall and its wheelbase was over 5' wide. It weighed around 1300 pounds empty and could be easily dismantled for repairs en route. Teams of 4-6 oxen or 6-10 mules were sufficient to get the sturdy little wagons to Oregon. A Prairie Schooner in good repair offered shelter almost as good as a house.







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